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PFALZHEIM (UU47) Training Area (2-4 Jul 56)

1. On the 2 July 56, 2 pits were observed at MR 445 826, each being 10 m long x 4 m wide x 4 m deep approximately, and their sides being revetted with logs. The pits were 4 m from one another and one of them was already decked over with logs and earth. The work on these excavations was being carried out by 24 Other Ranks wearing black/red shoulder boards, under the direction of a Major of a tank regiment and a Lieutenant also wearing black/red shoulder-boards.

2. On the 4 July 56, between 1300 and 1330 hours, the following road convoy was seen going from RÄGELIN through PFALZHEIM and going toward DÜNAMÜNDE

- a) 3 JS-3 tanks
- b) 3 JSU-152 self-propelled guns
- c) 2 BTR-40 APCs with machine guns and each carrying 12 - 14 troops wearing field dress.
- d) 3 x 85 mm. A tk guns.

3. On the same day at 2245 hours, AFVs resembling tanks or SP guns were seen from a distance of 500 m at MR 417 798. The vehicles were about 50 m from one another and were firing as they advanced in zig zag line in a North Easterly direction. They did not use tracer ammunition nor did they fire while on the move. Firing took place sometimes singly and sometimes from pairs of vehicles together. At the same time a wall of smoke or mist was seen between MRs 407 793 and 407 788, reaching from ground level to a height of about 6 m and quite opaque. It was grey in colour and remarkably stable.